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The Honorable Frank LoBiondo
U.S. House of Representatives
2427 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman LoBiondo:

On behalf of the Borough of Woodbine, New Jersey I am writing to you to respectfully request your assistance in securing funding through the federal appropriations process for our high priority economic development initiative to place an ethanol production facility on a landfill in the Borough.

The Borough of Woodbine, New Jersey is at the forefront of efforts to create a green economy in Southern New Jersey by working with Garden State Ethanol (GSE) to locate a facility that will produce ethanol from algae, marking a revolutionary technological and commercial advance and providing the basis of an alternative energy industry in Southern New Jersey that will yield economic benefits to the Borough and beyond. In addition to providing a critical boost to the local economy, efforts to produce algae-based ethanol in Woodbine address important national priorities by developing sustainable, domestic sources of fuel in order to reduce our dependence on foreign sources of oil and our dependence on fossil fuels.

There are two primary areas in which federal investments in key public/private partnerships are justified to create a sustainable energy economy in South Jersey and give Woodbine a leading role in regional ethanol production: economic development assistance, including sewer and water treatment system expansion, that will help facilitate the siting of the facility and transportation improvements that will facilitate the efficient rail transport of ethanol to market. I respectfully urge you to request federal funding in the FY2010 Interior and Environment Appropriations bill and the FY2010 Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill to move these efforts forward, and I am enclosing a White Paper that provides additional details on the initiative for your review.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request that is critical to economic development and growth in the Borough of Woodbine. I know you will do all you can to secure support and look forward to working with you cooperatively to improve the economic prospects of Woodbine and all of Southern New Jersey. Congressman Lo Biondo, you have been a constant supporter of our efforts to develop the aviation and non-aviation elements of Woodbine Municipal Airport. For this I am grateful. In this regard, your help for the GSE project will definitely expand our opportunities to attract new private investment and job at the contiguous airport business park.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Pikolycky". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and a stylized "P".

William Pikolycky
Mayor